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Applicants: Ziv Sandalon et al.

Serial No.: 09/068,293

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For : IN VITRO CONSTRUCTION OF SV40 VIRUSES  
PSEUDOVIRUSES

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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This Communication is submitted in response to a May 22, 2002 Final Office Action which was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants filed a continued prosecution application ("CPA") and Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time on October 22, 2002. Applicants are concurrently filing a Preliminary Amendment via facsimile in connection with the subject application. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

In the May 22, 2002 Final Office Action, the Examiner required applicants to submit new formal drawings as specified in the August 20, 1998 Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review. The August 20, 1998 Drawing Review stated that the left margin is not acceptable for Figures 3A and 3C.

In response, applicants attach hereto as **Exhibit A** one (1) sheet of a new, corrected formal drawing which includes Figures 3A and 3C.

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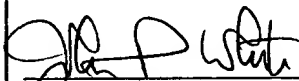
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